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Anticipated Classification of this Application:

		Class: <u>123</u> Subclass: <u>9017</u>
		Prior Application
		Examiner: Frank Lopez
		Art Unit: 3745
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Sir		
	This	is a request for filing a
	Continu	ation
	applicat	tion under 37 CFR 1.60
ХХ	Divisio	nal
of p	ending p	prior Application Serial No.: 09/913,450
File	d on: _8	/10/01 Of: <u>R. OTTERSBACH et al</u>
		SHAFT CONTROL DEVICE AND CONTROL VALVE WITH
	LEA	KAGE COMPENSATION
1.	[X]	Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed and an affidavit of declaration verifying it as a true copy. (See 8 and 8a for drawing requirements).
2.	[]	Prepare a copy of the prior application.
3	[X]	The filing fee is calculated below.

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CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED BY AMENDMENT BELOW

	Number Filed	Number Filed Excess of 20	Rate	<u>Basic fee</u> \$ 770.00		
Total Claims	1	0	610.00			
Total Claims		Excess of 3	x \$18.00	0		
Independent _ Claims	1	<u>)</u>	x \$86.00	0		
Multiple deper	ndent claims []	Yes x \$290.00	[x] No	<u>\$ n</u>		
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4. [x] The Asst. Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 02.2275. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.						
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Dated: Dec.						
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5. [X] PTO Form-2038 in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed.						
6. [] Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent						
claim must be retained for filing purposes).						
7. [] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line in the sentence: This is a [] Continuation, [] Division of Serial No.						
this appl	ication.	[] Division of Seria	al No.			
8. [] Transfer the drawings from the prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior						
application file. (May only be used before payment of base issue fee). 8a. [x] New formal drawings are enclosed.						
8b. [x] Priority of application Serial No. 199 05 646.3 Filed: 2/11/99 8c. [X] The certified copy of been filed in the prior application Serial No. 09/913,450						
8c. [3] The certified: 8	ified copy of been : 8/10/01	filed in the prior app	lication Serial No	$\frac{-2/11/99}{09/913,450}$		
9. [x] The prio	r application is assi	igned of record to	INA WALZLAGE	<u>IR</u>		
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- 10. [X] The power of attorney in the prior application is to any one of the following: Charles A. Muserlian, Reg. No. 19,683; Donald C. Lucas, Reg. No. 31,275; and Michael N. Mercanti, Reg. No. 33,966; all of 475 Park Avenue South, New York, N.Y. 10016; its attorneys to file this Declaration with full power of substitution and revocation and to transact all business in the Patent Office connected therewith.
 - a. $\{x\}$ The power appears in the original papers of the prior application.
 - b. [] Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
 - c. [X] Recognize as associate attorney and address all future communications to:

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- 11. [x] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number of next following the highest numbered original claims in the prior application)
- 12. [X] I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of the prior application Serial No. 09/913, 450 as originally filed on 8/10/01

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